

# Trinity Lutheran Church

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## **TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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*Waiting for God to Act*  
**November 27, 2022**

**PRELUDE: *I Wonder as I Wander* (Appalachian carol))**

**GATHERING HYMN:**

***Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying* (ELW 436)**



1 Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing, the watch-men  
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, and all her  
3 Glo - ri - a! Let heav'n a - dore you! Let saints and



on the heights are cry - ing; a - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last.  
heart with joy is spring-ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.  
an - gels sing be - fore you, with harp and cym-bal's clear-est tone.



Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es, and at the  
Her dear friend comes down, all glo - rious, the strong in  
Gates of pearl, twelve por - tals gleam - ing, lead us to



thrill-ing cry re - joic - es: "Come forth, you maid-ens! Night is past.  
grace, in truth vic - to - rious: her star is ris'n; her light is come.  
bliss be - yond all dream - ing, with an - gel choirs a - round your throne.



The bride - groom comes! A - wake; your lamps with glad - ness take!"  
Now come, O Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son.  
No eye has caught the light, no ear the thun - d'ring might



Al - le - lu - ia! Rise and pre - pare the feast to share;  
Sing ho - san - na! Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all,  
of such glo - ry. There we will go: what joy we'll know!



go, meet the bride - groom, who draws near.  
and fol - low to the ban - quet hall.  
There sweet de - light will ev - er flow.

Coming November 13th:

**Crosswalk**

a monthly ministry for elementary-aged students, K-5.

Join Pastor Nate, Shelli Curtis, and the Confirmation Students downstairs from 10:45-11:30 after worship (while parents fellowship in the Gruver Room).



Remaining 2022-2023 Schedule

December 11th

March 26th

January 22nd

April 16th

February 12th

May 21st

## "Trauma & Crisis to Hope & Resilience"

**What:** The COVID-19 pandemic caused multiple levels of trauma for many of us. Grief, anger, fear, and apathy are just a few of the emotions people are navigating. This class will explore these emotions and talk about crisis care, listening, coping skills, suicide prevention, and com-compassion fatigue. The class is offered for free.

**Who:** The class is open to anyone and everyone. Think about the following questions as you consider taking time to learn about Trauma & Resilience:

- Have you emerged after the pandemic as your best self
- Are you a care giver or someone who desires more skill to care for a friend, neighbor, or family member
- Are you feeling overwhelmed but unsure why or how to move forward?

**When:** Mondays 6:30-8:00pm beginning October 17th

**Where:** Gruver Rm, Trinity Lutheran Church (107 S 7th)

**Instructor/leader:** Pastor Nathan Keith has a BS in Child Development & Family Science and MS of Divinity. He is a certified chaplain with the International Conference of Police Chaplains and has extensive training in crisis management and care. Please email [pastornate3421@gmail.com](mailto:pastornate3421@gmail.com) if you are interested in the class and want more information.

### Schedule:

Oct 17	Crisis Care: Introduction
Oct 24	The Art of Listening
Nov 14	Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence
<b>Nov 28</b>	<b>Nonverbal Listening &amp; Stress</b>
Dec 5	Suicide and QPR
Dec 12	Compassion Fatigue

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised above the hills;  
all the nations shall stream to it.

<sup>3</sup>Many peoples shall come and say,  
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;  
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more.

<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob,  
come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD!

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## ADVENT PRAYER AND CANDLE LIGHTING

As we light the Advent candles, we call upon Christ,  
the King of the Nations.

Christ, arbitrate for our divided nations.

**Let swords be beaten into plowshares.**

Let no one learn war anymore.

**Come quickly to us, Christ Jesus.**

The Spirit and the church cry out:

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

All those who await his appearance pray:

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

The whole creation pleads:

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

## ADVENT HYMN:

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* (ELW 490)

- 1** Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand  
Christ our God to earth descending comes full homage to demand.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

Let us pray together.

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
Amen.

## PSALM: Psalm 122

- <sup>1</sup>I was glad when they said to me,  
“Let us go to the house of the LORD.”
- <sup>2</sup>Now our feet are standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- <sup>3</sup>Jerusalem is built as a city  
that is at unity with itself;
- <sup>4</sup>to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,  
the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the LORD.
- <sup>5</sup>For there are the thrones of judgment,  
the thrones of the house of David.
- <sup>6</sup>Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:  
“May they prosper who love you.
- <sup>7</sup>Peace be within your walls  
and quietness within your towers.
- <sup>8</sup>For the sake of my kindred and companions,  
I pray for your prosperity.
- <sup>9</sup>Because of the house of the LORD our God,  
I will seek to do you good.”

# Advent 2022

# Waiting for Wonder

Nov 27: Waiting for God to Act  
Dec 4: Waiting for Direction  
Dec 11: Waiting for Purpose  
Dec 18: Waiting for Grace

Christmas Eve 6pm  
*WONDER!*

# Serving in Worship

**TODAY — Nov 27, 2022**

**Altar:** Judy Moline

**Reader:** Abby Haff

**Communion Assistant:**

Abby Haff

**Fellowship:** Kris Oolman

**NEXT SUNDAY — Dec 4, 2022**

**Altar:** Conyers Family

**Reader:** OPEN

**Communion Assistant:**

OPEN

**Fellowship:** OPEN

## SECOND READING: Romans 13:11-14

<sup>11</sup>Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; <sup>12</sup>the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; <sup>13</sup>let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL: Matthew 24:36-44

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples,] <sup>36</sup>“About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>37</sup>For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup>and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>42</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup>But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup>Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Trinity Happenings:

Sun, Nov 27:	9:00am	Advent Worship <i>Waiting for God to Act</i>
	10:15am	Fellowship in Gruver Rm
<b>Mon, Nov 28:</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Nonverbal Listening &amp; Stress Class in the Gruver Rm</b>
Wed, Nov 30:	10:00am	Women's Bible Study in Gruver Rm
<b>Thu, Dec 1:</b>	<b>11:30am</b>	<b>MUGG Campus Meeting @ Rendezvous Cafe</b>
Sun, Dec 4:	9:00am	Advent Worship <i>Waiting for Direction</i>
	10:15am	Fellowship in Gruver Rm

# SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY:

### *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers* (ELW 244)

1 Re - joi - ce, re - joi - ce, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;  
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;  
 3 The saints, who here in pa - ti - ence their cross and suf - f'ring bore,  
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.  
 go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.  
 shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.  
 a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.

The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.  
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.  
 A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;  
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see

Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.  
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.  
 in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.  
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

## SENDING HYMN: *Soon and Very Soon* (ELW 439)

1 Soon and ver - y soon  
 2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
 3 No more dy - in' there,  
 4 Soon and ver - y soon

soon and ver - y soon  
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
 no more dy - in' there,  
 soon and ver - y soon

soon and ver - y soon  
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
 no more dy - in' there,  
 soon and ver - y soon

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

*Coda after stanza 4*  
 Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## COMMUNION

*White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available.*

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION:

*Love Came Down At Christmas (Roger Copeland)*

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our lord and savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

**God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## BLESSING

As the nights grow longer, may God draw you into mystery.

As the days grow colder, may Christ invite you into stillness.

As the twilight grows deeper, may the Spirit kindle the dawn of hope in you.

And may the blessing of the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, rest upon you as you await the advent of our Lord.

**Amen.**

## APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for new hope.

*As the lector closes each petition:*

God, in your mercy,

*The people respond:*

**receive our prayer.**

God of our longing, you know our deepest needs. By your Spirit, gather our prayers and join them with the prayers of all your children. In Jesus' name we pray.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OFFERING

*Please place offering in one of the Bulletin Stand offering plates at the end of worship as you leave the church.*

## OFFERTORY HYMN: *What Feast of Love* (ELW 487)



1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban - quet come from heav - en?  
2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?  
3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim - son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last - ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?  
What hope of ev - er - last - ing life, what won - drous word is giv - en?  
What stream of ev - er - last - ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!  
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!  
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

### LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.